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## REMEMBERING LINDA FISK MORRIS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. CARTER) for 5 minutes.

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today with a heavy heart to remember and honor Linda Fisk Morris of Savannah, Georgia, who sadly passed recently at the age of 77.

Linda spent her life serving her community by sharing her love for art and nature.

After moving to Georgia's First Congressional District in 1997, Linda began supporting the Telfair Museums in Savannah, Georgia.

During her career in Savannah, Linda served on the collections committee and helped direct the acquisition of rare works of art for the museum.

Linda's passion for her outdoor life and adventures led her to travel around the world. From the Grand Canyon to the Amazon, her passion for life was undeniable.

Everyone who knew Linda recognized her giving heart and love for her community.

I am thankful for the immense impact Linda had on the Savannah community. I know her legacy will remain.

My thoughts and prayers are with her family, friends, and all who knew her during this most difficult time.

DIPLOMATIC RELATIONSHIP WITH INDIA

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the important diplomatic partnership between the United States of America and the Republic of India.

Visits of our nations' leaders are critical aspects of our relationship, and the United States is honored to welcome Prime Minister Modi.

The United States and India share deep historic ties that are rooted in democracy, freedom, and rule of law.

Over the years, our two nations have increased our trade collaboration which is an important component of our partnership. In 2019 trade in goods and services reached \$149 billion between our countries. Increasing trade between the United States and India will result in greater prosperity for our people.

It is vital that the world's largest democracy has a strong diplomatic partnership with this shining city upon a hill that we have been elected to represent.

Madam Speaker, I thank Prime Minister Modi for being a friend of the United States.

### ${\tt HONORING\ JONATHAN\ HOLLAND,\ II}$

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today with a heavy heart to remember and honor Jonathan Holland, II of Brunswick, Georgia, who sadly passed away on August 6 at the age of 73.

Jon had a long, distinguished career in the United States military and as a Federal and State law enforcement official.

After serving in the United States Air Force, Jon worked at the FBI before moving to the Virginia Alcohol Control Board, where he spent the next 34 years.

During this time, he was a first responder at the Pentagon attack on September 11. After assisting on site for 7 days, Jon received a declaration of valor from the Governor of Virginia.

Jon retired in 2003 and began an 11-year career at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center in Brunswick, Georgia.

Jon's service to his country and Georgia's First Congressional District is extraordinary and will never be forgotten.

My thoughts and prayers are with his family, friends, and all who knew him during this most difficult time.

REMEMBERING JOHN ROBERT PADDISON

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today with a heavy heart to remember and honor John Robert Paddison of Savannah, Georgia, who sadly passed away on August 1 at the age of 98.

Bob dedicated his life to loving and serving both his country and community.

During World War II Bob enlisted in the United States Air Force and served as a pilot. He served in Germany for 18 months, aiding in post-war recovery.

Upon returning to Savannah, Bob worked at the Savannah Bank, where he would work for the next 30 years until retiring as bank vice president.

Following his retirement, he then served his community as a volunteer teacher for DeRenne Middle School, where he shared his passion for photography with his students.

Cherished for his contagious laughter and love of life, Bob's immense impact was felt by everyone he knew.

I am thankful for Bob's lifetime of service, and I know his legacy will be forever treasured.

# PRIORITIES OF THIS ADMINISTRATION

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Kansas (Mr. Mann) for 5 minutes.

Mr. MANN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to discuss the priorities of the Biden administration because they are not good for the American people.

What are the administration's priorities as outlined by the infrastructure package? It is not roads, bridges, highways, rail, and waterways. Instead, their infrastructure plan is a Trojan horse for a leftist wish list that will jam progressive policies like the Green New Deal through this Congress at the expense of actual infrastructure. Despite promises that this plan would be budget neutral, the CBO has estimated it will increase our national deficit by \$256 billion.

What are the administration's priorities as outlined in the reconciliation bill? It is not fairness, but partisanship. Senator Bernie Sanders said that under this budget no middle-income family would pay more in taxes. That is not true. The reconciliation bill includes damaging tax increases, falling largely on the shoulders of middle-income families, small businesses, and family farms. This bill would be the largest tax-and-spend measure in America's history and would increase public debt by more than \$4.16 trillion. It would also allow the Federal Government to intervene even more in our daily lives and kill countless jobs.

What are the administration's policies regarding ag policy? It is not supporting the people who feed, fuel, and clothe all of us, but eliminating their protections and taxing them out of their land. I proposed an amendment on this very issue at the House Agriculture Committee earlier this month that was not even considered by Democrat leadership. I don't want to see farmers and ranchers taxed on their generational property over and over again, which will destroy their livelihoods. This administration demands more taxes, and their party does what it often does and hammers rural America's middle class. Farmers in my district understand perfectly well that the majority party doesn't care about the issues they face while they work tirelessly to keep the breadbasket of our Nation full.

Just yesterday, I spent 2 hours in the Ag Committee marking up a resolution to retroactively designate July 2021 as National Blueberry Month. Now, I like blueberries as much as the next guy, but I stand before you in disbelief that this committee would rather name a portion of the past after a berry than protect the future of farmers in this country. These are backward priorities on full display.

ABORTION BILL IS HORRIBLE

Mr. MANN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to voice my opposition for H.R. 3755, which would federally legalize abortions on demand up until birth.

This bill isn't just morally reprehensible. It also prohibits States from passing their own laws acknowledging the humanity of unborn children. It is a wicked path to accomplish a wicked end. This bill would override both Federal and State laws adopted before and even after its enactment. This year, 48 States have introduced a combined 289 pro-life bills, 89 of which have been signed into law. H.R. 3755 does not reflect the voice of the American people on the issue of abortion. It reflects the voice of the abortion lobby.

This bill abolishes any law that regulates abortion in any way, including laws that prevent sex-selection abortion and abortions based on a Down syndrome diagnosis. By 12 weeks of age, babies have fully formed arms, hands, fingers, feet, and toes and a functional circulatory system and liver, and the capacity to experience

pain. All of this, astonishingly, at a weight of one ounce and a length of 4 inches. I believe that life begins at conception. I support adoptions, foster care, and crisis pregnancy centers. God knits every one of us together in our mother's wombs. Life is a miracle, and I believe that the right to it extends to the unborn in this country. That is why I strongly oppose this horrible bill.

#### CRISIS AT THE SOUTHERN BORDER

Mr. MANN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to call attention once again to the disastrous situation that President Biden has created at our southern border.

The first priority of any administration must be to protect the homeland and keep Americans safe. We have brave Border Patrol agents putting themselves in harm's way every day doing just that; and, meanwhile, their calls for a complete southern border security system are falling on deaf ears in Washington. They know that it would make their jobs easier and our country safer, and the funds are already appropriated. Why, then, is the administration forcing these agents, who deserve our unwavering support, to do their jobs with anything less than the most comprehensive technology available?

Across the globe from our southern border lies Afghanistan, where there exists yet another disastrous situation President Biden created. Make no mistake, the fall of Afghanistan to the Taliban is not an isolated problem in a land far, far away. The Taliban could redistribute their terrorists across the world in a matter of days, and our southern border is about as secure as a welcome mat, inviting terrorists who hate America to come and set up shop. President Biden didn't just torpedo the stability of Afghanistan last month, he also put Americans in danger, which highlights yet another need to address the southern border crisis immediately.

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# RECOGNIZING BRAIN ANEURYSM AWARENESS MONTH

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Florida (Mr. RUTHERFORD) for 5 minutes.

Mr. RUTHERFORD. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Brain Aneurysm Awareness Month, the time when we spread awareness of the signs and symptoms and seek increased research into treatment and prevention.

Northeast Florida is home to the headquarters of the Trinity Love Hoblit Foundation, which works to support and fund neurological research, training, and treatment for brain aneurysms, strokes, and other cerebrovascular conditions.

Its namesake is Trinity Love Hoblit, who was born with a rare form of primordial dwarfism and grew to only be 29 inches tall.

Throughout her life she battled brain aneurysms and underwent numerous surgeries to alleviate the symptoms.

Sadly, Trinity passed away in 2015 and was only 14 years old.

So in honor of Trinity and Brain Aneurysm Awareness Month, please listen carefully to the risk factors and signs and symptoms of brain aneurysm.

The risk factors include smoking, high blood pressure, older age, alcohol, or drug abuse, and family history. The symptoms include headache, pain above or behind one eye, blurred or double vision, difficulty speaking or swallowing, numbness or weakness on one side of the body, and seizures.

Folks, please do not ignore these symptoms and promptly seek medical care if you experience any of them, especially if you are having the worst headache of your life.

When it comes to brain aneurysms, awareness is the beginning of prevention and cure.

On behalf of the Fourth Congressional District of Florida, I am proud to recognize Brain Aneurysm Awareness Month, and I thank the Trinity Love Hoblit Foundation for the lives they are helping to save every day.

IMPROVING BENEFITS FOR FIRST RESPONDERS

Mr. RUTHERFORD. Madam Speaker, it has been 20 years since terrorists attacked the United States on September 11.

We have now had a generation to appreciate the courage and sacrifices so many of our first responders make to keep us safe.

In my 40 years of law enforcement, including 12 as sheriff of Duval County, I know good officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their community.

Twenty years after 9/11, many of our first responders who are critically injured in the line of duty still have a hard time getting the benefits that they have earned and sacrificed.

That is why I am proud to cosponsor H.R. 2936, the Protecting America's First Responder Act.

This bill would improve death and disability benefits for police, fire-fighters, and other public safety officers.

This is a commonsense solution to a major problem, and I urge the Judiciary Committee to immediately consider this bill.

### IRAN IS A THREAT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Arkansas (Mr. HILL) for 5 minutes.

Mr. HILL. Madam Speaker, yesterday at the United Nations General Assembly meeting, President Biden once again declared that he wants to ensure that Iran will never get a nuclear weapon on his watch. But he reiterated that his administration intends to do everything it can to get back into the discredited nuclear deal with Iran.

Now, Madam Speaker, this was his only reference directly about Iran in his remarks.

Today, I rise to remind my colleagues about the risks of this approach. Iran is the number one state sponsor of terrorism and the greatest threat against our ally, Israel, and to stability in the Middle East.

In July, I joined Chairman MEEKS and traveled to Israel in the first Congressional codel since the new Israeli government has come into power.

Despite the change in power and the coalition between the left and right, there is no space between the parties, and the number one national security concern in Israel continues to be Iran.

And while Republicans and Democrats agree in principle that Iran should never have a nuclear weapon, in action, the flawed nuclear deal of the Obama administration did not end Iran's quest. It only delayed modestly the development of a nuclear weapon; development that continues, Madam Speaker.

This deal kicked the can down the road in exchange for a windfall to the Iranian mullahs and sanctions relief and pallets of cash delivered on a tarmac.

Further, President Trump's maximum pressure campaign of economic sanctions was working, and he took decisive action with his strike against former IRGC head, Solemani.

So, my friends, I am afraid that we will return to the Obama-era policy of paying cash for promises from the Iranian leadership that will never be kept.

Iran has blood on their hands, propping up Assad in Syria, the death of American troops in Iraq, and recently even blatantly attempting kidnapping in New York City.

As a result, I reintroduced my legislation, the Holding Iranian Leaders Accountable Act.

This bipartisan bill with my friend Mr. Lawson from Florida would make public the funds obtained in an illegal or corrupt manner by Iran's authoritarian leaders.

For more than four decades the people of Iran have lived under the brutal dictatorship of the Ayatollahs.

The government leadership and the heads of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps have all profited, Madam Speaker, at the expense of the struggling Iranian people.

By combining publicly available information with U.S. intelligence that can be made public, this legislation will provide a valuable window into the wealth making of Iran's corrupt officials and limit their financial holdings which are used to support and sponsor terrorism.

However, since this administration is attempting to re-enter nuclear negotiations, we throw away a lot of leverage. This bill gives the U.S. Government and Iranian people knowledge by knowing how corrupt their leadership is.

COMMEMORATING ERMA HENDRIX

Mr. HILL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate Little Rock City Director Erma Hendrix, who sadly passed away at the age of 91 on September 8.